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From: Laplante, Elizabeth
Sent: Mon 8/28/2017 4:02:33 PM
Subject: Question on open pit mine near Menominee River

Hi Ken and Peter: We received this email from a citizen -- I think this should have been forwarded to either of your respective branches. Please let us know if you are not the appropriate folks to reply to him.

Thanks so much.

Liz LaPlante

-----Original Message-----

From: drupal_admin@epa.gov [mailto:drupal_admin@epa.gov]
 Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:26 PM
 To: Schardt, James <schardt.james@epa.gov>
 Subject: GLWQA Website contact form submission

Submitted on 08/23/2017 3:26PM

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Comments: Is your organization fully aware of an open pit Sulfide mine being proposed by the Canadian mine company Aquilla Resources Inc, to be in operation 150 feet from the shoreline of the Menominee River - in the Upper Penninsula of Michigan? The MDEQ is trying to o.k. a permit to have Aquilla take over a wet lands area of the mine site to begin mining operations.

Aquills has printed material that states that they will be using Cyanide in the mining process to wash rock and stone to get to the gold deposits within the mine. Cyanide will be released back into the Menominee River. Aquilla has stated in public meetings that tailings, along with cyanide, along with mercury and lead will be flushed back into the river. The Menominee River flows into the Bay of Green Bay, which flows directly into Lake Michigan. All the hard work that your people do to bring the quality of the Great Lakes to its greatest quality, will be severely diminished . The MDEQ was responsible for the Mercury contamination of the City of Flint MI., and they will be also responsible for the poisoning of not only the Menominee River, but also Lake Michigan. Please sound the alarm to others in your organization about this next water holocaust brought to by Canadian mining company Aquilla Resources Inc. Please give me mailing addresses to all of your members, so we here in this area can send you printed information from Aquilla and from our grass roots organization to help stop the mine project. Thank You for your time in reading my email. [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]